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In re Patent Application of Confirmation No.: 5459

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For: METHOD FOR CUTTING UNDERSEA PIPELINE TO LENGTH

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PETITION AND FEE FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME

UNDER 37 CFR 1.17, 1.136(a) AND 35 USC 41(a)8

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by Three (3) months. Credit card payment for the required filing fee of \$1020.00 for the petition fee in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17 computed as:

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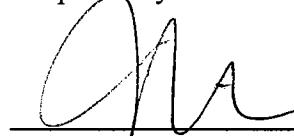
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Respectfully submitted,



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